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CAL FIRE Lifts Burning Restrictions

Cooler weather allows residential burning within Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit

Auburn – Recent precipitation and cooler weather have allowed CAL FIRE, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to decrease burning restrictions in some areas of Northern California. CAL FIRE officials have declared an end to the suspension of all residential burning within state responsibility areas of Nevada, Yuba and Placer counties effective Wednesday, October 14 at 8 a.m.

"Wildfire danger has decreased considerably this week due to significant rainfall and cooler temperatures," said CAL FIRE Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit Chief Brad Harris. "However, burn permits will still be required due to the potential for fire danger to fluctuate in the coming weeks. Residents must always use caution when burning, follow all guidelines and maintain control of their fire at all times."

Residents must obtain a valid burn permit and burn only on permissive burn days as determined by the local Air Pollution Control District (APCD). The subsequent requirements, listed on the burn permit, must be followed:

- Maximum pile size 4 foot in diameter.
- Clear all flammable material and vegetation within 10-feet of the outer edge of the pile.
- Keep a water supply close to the burning site.
- An adult should be in attendance with a shovel until the fire is put out.
- No burning shall be undertaken unless weather conditions (particularly wind) are such that burning can be considered safe.

Keep in mind – violations of any burning permit terms are a violation of state law. If a fire escapes a homeowner's control they can be issued a citation and be held liable for suppression costs and damages. Burn permits can be obtained at all CAL FIRE facilities. Residents can confirm burn day status by calling the appropriate phone number:

Placer County (within 12 miles of Auburn): (530) 889-6868

Placer County: (800) 998-2876 Nevada County: (530) 274-7928

Yuba County: (530)741-6299 Truckee area: (530) 582-1027

For more information on burn permit requirements contact CAL FIRE at 530-889-0111 or visit

www.fire.ca.gov.